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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of : September 1, 2005
Lorin E. Ullmann, et al : Group Art No.: 2154
Serial No. 09/737,368 : Examiner: Haresh Patel
Filed: December 15, 2000 : for IBM Corporation
Anne Vachon Dougherty
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS IN 3173 Cedar Road
NETWORK MANAGEMENT FOR SLOW Yorktown Hts, NY 10598
APPLICATION PROGRAMMING
INTERFACES FOR STATUS QUERIES

REQUEST FOR ENTRY OF AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Sir:

In a telephone conversation on August 31, 2005 between the undersigned attorney and the examiner, it was learned that the Amendment filed on January 24, 2005 for the subject patent application was not entered.

Applicants hereby request entry of the Amendment which was filed on January 24, 2005.

Applicants respectfully assert that, in response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2004, an Amendment, with a Petition for Extension of Time and the requisite fee, was deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on January 24, 2005 as Express Mail ED213537371US.

Applicants include, herewith, copies of the Amendment, the Petition for Extension of Time, the check for the requisite fee for a one month extension, and a copy of the Express Mail certificate completed by a U.S. Postal Service employee.

The Amendment and Petition both bear a Certificate of Mailing signed by the undersigned attorney and certifying that the papers were being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on January 24, 2005. In addition, the copy of the Express Mail certificate, as completed by the U.S. Postal Service employee, clearly indicating the date of deposit of 1-24-05. Applicants further include a copy of the U.S. Postal Service receipt, dated 01/24/05, which additionally bears the Express Mail label number of ED213537371US.

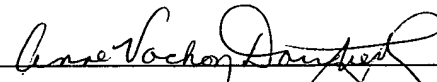
Applicants quote 37 C.F.R. 1.10(a)(1) that "correspondence received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) that was delivered by the "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service of the United States Postal Service (USPS) will be considered filed with the USPTO on the date of deposit with the USPS."

Based on the enclosures herewith, Applicants respectfully request that the Amendment and Petition be entered as of January 24, 2005, the date of submission of the papers to the U.S. Postal Service as Express Mail.

Applicants note that the failure to enter the papers as of the date of submission was due to error on the part of the U.S. Patent Office, as indicated by the erroneous date stamp on the acknowledgement postcard (copy enclosed), and that no additional fee is believed due for entry of the Amendment. Nonetheless, should any additional filing fee be required, authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account 09-0447 to secure entry of the Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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